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WHO: Media

WHAT: U.S. Army Reserve Center Groundbreaking Ceremony

WHEN: Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2011

WHERE: Fort A.P. Hill

The U.S. Army Reserve Center is a part of the Grow the Army program which supports the Army's goal to sustain force readiness, match Army force capabilities with mission requirements, and preserve Soldier and family quality of life.

The estimated \$15.5 million Reserve Center will be built on the northeast corner of the intersection of A.P. Hill Drive and Campbell Road. The center will include a 33,170 square-foot training building, a maintenance shop and unheated storage building. The training and administration building would provide a 200-member training facility with administrative, educational, assembly, library, vault, weapons simulator (indoor non-live fire simulator which provides realistic training using pneumatics and gaming technology), and physical fitness areas for one USAR unit.

A brand new unit proposed to occupy the center is a Multi-Role Bridge Company that would bring 12 full-time personnel and 185 reservists to the installation. The full-time personnel would work Monday through Friday while the Reserve Soldiers would primarily train one weekend per month and two weeks annually. The unit would provide personnel and equipment required for the transportation, assembly, disassembly, maintenance and retrieval of U.S. Army bridging systems.

The center is scheduled to be completed by December 2012.

To coordinate access onto the installation and coverage of the event, contact Jennifer Erickson, Public Affairs Officer, by Nov. 14 at 2 p.m., at (804) 633-8324. All media will need to enter through the Main Gate and meet at the Visitor Control Center by 9:30 a.m.